### ALMOST AN ESCAPE. DRS. BETTS & BETTS

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THE CITY'S FINANCES.

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FREDERICK S JOHNSTONE.

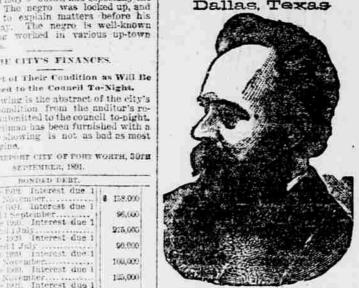
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ill-advised—the money could be spent to a better purpose. He favored additional water facilities and a central fire hall. The two were necessities. He was not prepared to say whether the proposed new site for the waterworks or the present site should be utilized—it was a question of dollars and cents, and a question that the council would no doubt weigh carefully before acting. He favored the artesian well system. ing. He favored the artesian well system, and was confident it could be secured and water in sufficient quantities. The money for the proposed bridge should not be held or spent to a better purpose, at least until the financial condition of the country was

the financial condition of the country was in better shape.

W. J. Want being interrogated said: "I think we need the proposed suspension bridge, and it should be erected—the council should do this and not bother about the city hall at present. I think the proposed site for the central fire hall is at about the proper place, all thines considered. I think adequate additions should be made to the waterworks. I am opposed to the purchase of additional lands, or lands for a new location. The present site is, I think, a good ing lands should be used in placing the present system in Al condition—enlarging the plant, etc."

the plant, etc."
"I am opposed to the erection of the pro-posed suspension bridge; we need other things more," said S. M. Fry. "About the waterworks and location for the central

waterworks and location for the central fire hall. I don't care to be quoted."

W. H. Taylor—"You can say for me that I oppose the erection of the proposed bridge at present. I favor a central fire hall, and think the Jennings avenue site a good one. About the waterworks business I am not posted, and don't desire to say anything."

L. R. Taylor, county elerk—"I favor an artesian system of waterworks, reservoir and standpipes, and if there is a change made in our present system I think it should be to one of this kind. I know of numerous cities where this system is used, and it is a success. I refer you especially to Jacksonville, Fla. There they have numerous wells, a reservoir, and the standpipes are located at various elevated points around the city, and the water for domestic pipes are located at various elevated points around the city, and the water for domestic purposes can't be excelled, and the pressure for fire purposes is powerful. Fort Worth is peculiarly adapted for a system of this kind, and as to the expense of it, why, I am satisfied it is the cheaper and far more satisfactory, less liable to get out of whack, and you've always got the water and pressure if proper pumping stations are put in. I favor the Jennings avenue site for the central fire hall, but concerning the pro-I favor the Jennings avenue site for the central fire hall, but concerning the proposed bridge I don't care to say anything."
Hon. Hyde Jennings was seen in his office. He said: "We are in straitened circumstances. The council should not spend money for any of the proposed improvements at present. We will be in better condition to do it a little later on. I have great faith in the old town yet. But until we are in better condition to have these improvements, but me, down as opposing we are in better committed to have these im-provements, put me down as opposing them. I am in favor of a substan-tial city hall, an unexcelled waterworks system at the proper time—that is not now. In the place of these proposed expenditures we should cut down expenses—the expenses of the city government. Economy should and must be practiced in order to see us and must be practiced in order to see us out. I do not propose to say, though I could do so, where these cuts should be made. I'll tell you what we can and ought to do. We can erect a \$300,000 courthouse, we can borrow the money from the state at 5 per cent to do it with, and it should be

"Talking about what I'd like to see—I'd like to see a marble palace for a city hall, with bronze statue of the honorable mayor on top and every member of the city coun-cil to occupy statuary positions in or about the palace, a superior water system to any, a fine central fire hall, and sus pension bridges as thick on the Trinity as they could be to be of use—but we are in no condition now to have them nor any portion of them. I do not object to improvements, when improvements can be made, but when they cannot be, and it is plain enough they cannot be now, I am opposed to it, and think they should not be

dertaken. Alderman Armstrong was next seen. He argued the city's expanditures should be kept within the city's income—at least at present. The present current expenses should be reduced, and pointed to various departments wherein he thought something could be taken off without detriment to the could be taken off without detriment to the city many scheme, anyhow.

I. B. Askew, formerly an alderman and seel up on city affairs, said he did not care as anything, as he considered himself a hour resident, as he expected in a short time are to Velasco, but that he felt the same after now that he had always felt in the law affairs. He would say, however, in the present conditions of money matters, not only in Fort Worth, but everywhere, he shought the building of the proposed bridge

# GRAND: OPENING

THE GREAT-

Saturday, October 17, By His Excellency,

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Oct. 17—Children's Day. All children in the state admitted free.

Oct. 19—County Exhibit Day, awarding of premiums on county exhibits.

Oct. 20-Stockmen's, Drovers' and Butchers' Day. Special feature, grand Oct. 27-Knights of Pythias Day. Cattle-Roping Contest.

Oct. 22—Farmers' Alliance Day.

Oct. 23-Press day.

more fully than they would in open meetings, because in nearly every instance things were exaggerated to some extent where it went from one to another, and the dark side, where any exists, in most cases are those discussed and magnified. "Now we have an insurant wait and the Armstrane tool have an insurant wait and the Armstrane tool would see the error they are making." have an income," said Mr. Armstrong, "of say \$300,000 from taxation. Our expenses should come within \$150,000 a year. If we do what is laid out in the improvement line Their Assistance Appreciated. Editor Gazette.

inside of seven or eight years I think we will be doing remarkably well. By this we will have some improvement or other under way all the time, but the work will be gradual. All the members of the council are awake to the fact that we must contail expenses—we've fact that we must curtail expenses-we've got to get into position to quit using scrip; we are losing money by it. Until we do curtail expenses, and get our expenditures within our income, we are booked for un-told annoyances. I disagree with many, however, that we are in an alarming posi-

however, that we are in an ararming posi-tion financially, though such position could be got into."

Alderman H. R. Early, next seen, did not care to touch upon the financial condition of the city until the finance committee shall have made its report next Friday night. "I am fully decided on these points, however," and My. Early "A great many state. said Mr. Early. "A great many state-ments are being made in advance of this report that are misleading and erroneous. As to improvements, I favor waterworks improvement for domestic purposes and fire protection for the entire city, now and its prospective growth for the next few years. I am, too, in favor of curtailing the the expenses of the city in every way possible, but not in favor of discheric city ampleyer whose correlates andequate additions should be made to the waterworks. I am opposed to the purchase of additional lands, or lands for a new location. The present site is, I think a good one, being at the forks of the two rivers, and the money proposed to be spent in buying the lands should be used in placing the posed improvements in our waterworks cannot be confined to taxpayers, either, from the fact that some of the records show that some of our largest tax-payers are not water consumers. While

tax-payers are not water consumers. While they have the advantage of water and sewerage, the expense price of the same is paid by the tenant, hence the consumers of water are the people to be consulted in this matter. The citizens now pay at the rate of \$3 per 1000 gallons for artesian water, while the highest price known to the waterworks in the consumers. is 45 cents per 1000 gallons. For example, I give you one of our average consumers. A house with four rooms and fifty feet of A house with four rooms and hity feet of lawn, the water charges by the waterworks is as follows: Domestic purposes, \$6 per annum: lawn sprinkling, \$10 per annum—a total of \$16 to the city for water. The same consumer pays, mind you, for artesian water from wagons from \$12 to \$18 per annum, the water from the waterworks not num, the water from the waterworks not being adapted for all domestic purposes. Hence you can readily see that in an investment of \$16 in city waterworks the consumer is charged an additional tariff of from \$12 to \$18 per annum more than should have been the first that he \$6 hereafters are aid from the fact that the \$6 heretofore referred to for domestic purposes is the rate, and no higher rate could be charged if arte-

and no higher rate could be charged if artesian water was flowing through our mains.
That we are so situated as to be assured of
an abundant supply of artesian water for
all purposes there can be no question.
I came to this conclusion in 1888 after an
extended tour over the country on a waterworks investigation, and in my annual report in the spring of '89 I so stated, but the
council were unable to do anything from
the fact that the charter did not provide
for the issuance of mortgage bonds to carry for the issuance of mortgage bonds to carry

out the work.
"That the waterworks are now a paying "That the waterworks are now a paying institution it is only necessary to examine the record to convince one of the fact, and I take it that it is the first and highest duty of the municipal government to furnish to its citizens wholesome water, one of the necessaries of life, the charge to the citizens to be as near as possible at what it costs to procure it. So far as it was the council's intention of spending \$1,000.000 for the waterworks, at this time, why the rumor is absolutely false. Citizens wishing to find out the true status of the affair need only to go to those in charge of the department to learn the untruth of such misleading statements as prevail. The leading statements as prevail. The advertisement inserted some days since in-tended merely to place the council in porsession of data as to prices, etc-the coun-cil never contemplated spending \$1,000,000 on anything, nor the half of it."

Alderman Orr was next seen. "I do not

Alderman Orr was next seen. "I do not care to say anything upon the subject."
Alderman Jones being approached, said:
"As I am a member of the finance committee, I know there is no occasion for alarm—or all this talk. A great many people are talking who are not posted upon the questions they are discussing and make some very wild statements. Now one of the leaders of the recent citizens' meeting was in my store to-day and in an leaders of the recent citizens' meeting was in my store to-day and in an excited manner made the declaration that if we the people, can't control the council in one way we will in another.' Now, three years ago I was given the credit of being the only 'mossback' in the council; I was an 'old fogy,' the moss on my back was too long, etc. Well, it is funny to me now that I am 'too progressive.' I favor city improvements, and have at all times—that is, needed improvements. I do not believe in reckless expenditure of the people's money any more than I do my own, and no one can accuse me of this. As I stated before, I think the city is in pretty fair shape, perhaps a little hard up, but where is there a city in Texas to-day that is not? The present council is certainly a conservative body, is not going to spend the city's money reckless-

In my card of thanks which appeared in

your paper yesterday morning the names of my colored friends were omitted. As there were several that assisted me for Miss Alexander, their assistance has been highly appreciated. ANDERSON A. HUDSON

The Quotation Party. The quotation party for the benefit of the Broadway Baptist church given at the residence of Mrs. P. B. Binyon, on the South Side last night was a success. The following programme was rendered:

Duet, instrumental ...

..., Misses Hattle and Mattle Binyon QUOTATIONS ... Mrs. Johnson Vocal solo ... Mrs. Shiel Recitation O. S. Lattimer Vocal solo Thomas M. Hamilton Reading Mrs. Hodson Reading Sis, Hodson Instrumental duet. Mrs. Baten and Mrs. Shiel Recitation Miss Emma Pearcy Vocal solo Frank C. Martin Recitation Robert B. Morgan Clarionet solo Mr. Doscher Recitation W.O. Millican Reading Mrs. Dr. Borders

PRANKS OF A PET SPIDER.

Nightly Visits of a Sociable Insect-His sion of his first visit to us, though I have forgotten what suggested the name. was a big black spider with a shiny fat body, suggestive of an abundance of files, but for all this appreciation of the good things of life he was of a scholarly turn of

We were all seated around the study table, preparing the next day's lessons and tasks, when Minnie gave a scream that made me jump, and even the boys looked up startled. There was a big black spider caimly seated on a Latin dictionary regarding us intently. I flapped a paper at him, but he only drew in his legs with a slightly contemptuous air and did not stir "Let him alone, sister," said Tom. "I've been studying about spiders, and here is a good opportunity for observing their hab-

As if encouraged by this championship, Belshazzar descended from the dictionary and crawled slowly over the open page of an algebra, as if trying to make out what it was. From this he went over all the books, inspecting them all with the same critical air, and at last settled on a phys ical geography as most worthy of his at-tention. Every now and then he would refresh himself with a drink out of Aleck's ink bottle.

All at once we missed him, and as he had last been seen drinking from the edge of the bottle suspicion immediately arose that he had fallen in. He had, and was floundering helplessly about in the black pool. He was rescued and pisced on a scrap of waste paper, with injunctions to remain there until dry, but this he had no intention of doing. On the contrary, he showed a fixed determination to walk over Tom's neatly written Latin exercise.

"You sha'n't, sir," said Tom, gently hoisting him with the feathered end of a quill pen on to his scrap of paper.

And then, for the next few minutes, we

forget all about him, till Tom's cry of dismay called attention to his exercise. It was lined and relined and lined again with Belshazzar's tracks. He had not left an inch unmarked, and was even looking very complacent over his nice black tracings when our exclamations of sorrow and anger seemed to arouse him to a sense of shame, and he scrambled down the table and was gone in the twinkling of an eve. We thought we had seen the last of him

but the next night he came again and the next, until we looked for him as a regular visitor, and placed the physical geography open for him, for his fancy for it seemed to last. The accident of his fall into the ink bottle was repeated several times, for he minutes, we feared that he was drowned but he gradually revived, and beyond appearing rather subdued was little the worse for the adventure.

But whenever he had been in the ink after that first night nothing could induce him to stir off the paper on which he was placed to dry, though he would run over that and seemed to take pride in the designs with which he ornamented it.

What became of our queer pet we never knew, but one night he failed to make his appearance, and we were surprised to find how much we missed him. We hoped, however, that he would come the next evening, but he never did, and somehow the study hour after that seemed longer and duller, and not to be looked forward

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The manner in which men's names get into the pepers is often quite cu-rious. The general public might never have heard of Mr. Hall White, of Flows, N. C., was it not for the fact that he owns a goose thirty-nine years old. She was a goaling the same year that Mr. White's mother was married, which is nearly forty years ago. "The old goose is picked regu-larly every spring, and always furnishes her quota of feathers. Several years ago she was washed away in a big freshet, and was gone for months, and then returned.

Hall White's Aged Goose

She is as spry as a last year's gesting."

A Butchers' Common. William, earl of Warren, in the time of

King John, while standing upon the castle walls, saw two bulls fighting in the castle meadow, till all the butcher dogs pursued one of the maddened bulls quite through the town. The sight pleased the earl so much that he gave the castle meadows, where the duel of the bulls began, for a ommon to the butchers of the town, after the first grass was mowed, on condition that they should find a mad bull the day six weeks before Christmas day for the continuance of that sport ferever, -London

British Guiana's Gold Exports. The exports of gold from British Gulana between the 1st of January and the 1st of a value of \$931,433, United States gold. This is an increase of \$58,547 over the exports of the corresponding period last year. Most of this gold is obtained in that por-tion of Guiana which was seleed by England from Venezuela, and the territor although larger than France, does not o tain more than 30,000 people.